

# ANNUAL REPORT

For the Town of  
**EASTON, N. H.**



**Year ending December 31, 1957**



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Town of Easton, New Hampshire

# Annual Report

## Of the Town Officers

Year Ended December 31, 1957

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## TOWN OFFICERS

### Moderator

Helen J. Young

### Town Clerk

Phyllis H. Bowles

### Treasurer

Sadie N. Glover

### Selectmen

Walter M. Wolff

Durand B. Cooley

Everett M. Furman

### Supervisors

Ion S. Whitcomb

Jack Kenney

Helene Schultze

### Board of Education

Eva F. Cooley

Helen J. Young

Jack Kenney

### Library Trustees

Margaret T. Whitcomb

Jane K. Cutter

Ethel M. Furman

### Tax Collector

Ion S. Whitcomb

### Trustees of the Trust Funds

Ion S. Whitcomb

Phyllis H. Bowles

Eva F. Cooley

### Police Officer

Ion S. Whitcomb

### Dog Constable

Howard Bonor

### Auditor

Ethel M. Furman

### Sexton

Merton Edney

## TOWN MEETING WARRANT

**Article 1.** To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year.

**Article 2.** To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to appoint or designate a qualified person who is a resident of this town, to act as Highway Agent during the current year.

**Article 3.** To see if the town will vote to accept Town Road Aid: Town's share \$34.72; State's share \$231.49, and raise money for same.

**Article 4.** To see if the town will vote to accept State Aid Construction for Tunnel Stream Bridge: Town's share \$1,667.00; State's share \$8,333.00, and raise money for same.

**Article 5.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32.52 to the White Mountains Region Association, being 10c per \$1,000 of assessed valuation (1/100th of 1%) for the purpose of issuing and distributing printed matter and advertising and otherwise publicizing the advantages of the Town, in cooperation with the other 45 towns of the region.

**Article 6.** To see if the town will vote to pay the selectmen and other town officers an annual salary during the current year in accordance with the following schedule, and to raise and appropriate money for same:

Chairman, Board of Selectmen	\$250.00
Selectman	125.00
Selectman	125.00
Tax Collector	100.00
Town Clerk	75.00
Treasurer	40.00
Dog Constable	5.00
Auditor	10.00

If approved, it is understood that the selectmen and other salaried town officers will receive no fees or any other compensation or remuneration for their services except the usual and necessary expenses incurred by them in connection with their official duties.

**Article 7.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to support the Town Library.

**Article 8.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$100.00 for the cemetery.

**Article 9.** To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to hire money for defraying town charges in anticipation of taxes, if necessary.

**Article 10.** To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to allow discount for early payment of taxes. What percent, and at what time?

**Article 11.** To see if the town will vote to limit the use of the Town Hall premises solely for purposes directly benefitting the inhabitants and taxpayers of the town, and not for commercial purposes such as public auctions and similar gatherings sponsored by or conducted for the profit and benefit of outside interests and non-residents of the town. If so, the selectmen will be instructed to act accordingly.

**Article 12.** To raise and appropriate such sums of money as are stated in the proposed budget for repair to town highways and bridges, general expense of highways, snow removal, maintenance of town building, officer's salaries and expenses, and other town charges.

**Article 13.** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

The above warrant is correct to the following date:  
February 13, 1958.

WALTER M. WOLFF,  
DURAND B. COOLEY,  
EVERETT M. FURMAN,  
Selectmen.

## BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF EASTON

**Estimates of Revenue for the ensuing year, January 1, 1958 to December 31, 1958, compared with the estimated and actual revenue of the previous year, January 1, 1957 to December 31, 1957.**

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated 1957	Actual 1957	Estimated 1958
<b>From State:</b>			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 550.00	\$ 598.80	\$ 550.00
Savings Bank Tax	1.98	1.98	
Reimbursement a/c State and			
Federal Forest Lands	100.00		
For Fighting Forest Fires	8.70	17.32	
National Forest Reserve	425.00	784.61	500.00
<b>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</b>			
Dog Licenses	30.00	28.00	28.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits		3.28	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	650.00	881.83	700.00
Delinquent Taxes	196.92	179.40	207.69
Reimbursement for Fire		30.00	15.00
 †Cash Surplus	 913.44		368.58
<b>From Local Taxes Other than</b>			
<b>Property Taxes:</b>			
Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2	96.00	98.00	100.00
Yield Taxes	250.00	86.01	225.00
Head Taxes (Town Share)	30.00	29.50	30.00
 <b>Total Revenues from all Sources Except Property Taxes</b>	 \$3,252.04	\$2,738.73	\$2,724.27
 <b>Amount to be raised by Property Taxes</b>		6,284.97	
 <b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>			 \$9,009.24

†Cash on hand over current Liabilities

## BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF EASTON

**Estimates of Expenditures for the ensuing year, January 1, 1958 to December 31, 1958, compared with the actual Expenditures and Appropriations of the previous year, January 1, 1957 to December 31, 1957.**

<b>PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES</b>	Approp. 1957	Actual 1957	Estimated 1958
<b>General Government:</b>			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 725.00	\$ 724.00	\$ 735.00
Town Officers' Expenses	300.00	352.08	300.00
Election and Registration Exp.	12.00	8.00	100.00
Expenses Town Hall and other Town Buildings	250.00	279.49	250.00
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>			
Fire Dept. and Civil Defense	100.00	62.25	100.00
Blister Rust and care of Trees	100.00	100.00	
Insurance	125.00	123.48	175.00
<b>Health:</b>			
Health Dept.	5.00	5.00	5.00
Town Dump		50.00	50.00
Vital Statistics		1.00	
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>			
Town Maintenance — Summer			
Town Maintenance—Winter	950.00	615.82	950.00
General Expenses Highway Dept.	{		
Town Road Aid	28.50	39.94	34.72
<b>Libraries:</b>			
	150.00	150.00	150.00
<b>Public Welfare:</b>			
Town Poor	50.00		50.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>			
Cemeteries	75.00	81.22	100.00
<b>Unclassified:</b>			
Advertising and Regional Assn.	30.13	30.13	32.52
50% School Share, N.F.R.F.	212.50	392.30	250.00
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>			
State Aid Construction, Town's Share	500.00	500.00	1,667.00
Fireproof Safe	225.00	225.00	
For Town Map	(200.00)	223.65	
<b>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:</b>			
County Taxes	615.00	650.65	660.00
School Taxes	2,500.00	2,169.83	3,400.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>			
	\$ 6,953.13	\$ 6,783.84	\$ 9,009.24

## INVENTORY OF 1957

Land and Buildings	\$239,650.00
(Growing Wood and Timber	14,730.00)
Electric Power Lines	80,055.00
19 Cows	1,705.00
3 Horses	190.00
12 Sheep	100.00
7 Gasoline Pumps	1,020.00
Wood and Lumber	436.00
Mills and Machinery	1,200.00
 Total Gross Valuation	 \$324,356.00
Less Soldiers' Exemptions	2,400.00
 Net Valuation on which Tax Rate	 Computed
	\$321,956.00
Property Tax	3,445.00
Poll Tax	100.00
Yield Tax	240.20
 Total Taxes for Collector	 \$ 3,785.20
Tax Rate \$100.00 Valuation	1.07

## LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall and land	\$ 12,150.00
Furniture and equipment	750.00
Library and equipment	1,500.00
Fire department and equipment	70.00
Highway department and equipment	100.00
Johnsky place	100.00
 Total	 \$ 14,670.00

## LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1957

### COMPARED WITH THOSE OF 1958

	1957	1958
Town Officers' salaries	\$ 725.00	\$ 735.00
Town Officers' expenses	300.00	300.00
Election and registration expenses	12.00	100.00
Town Hall expenses	375.00	425.00
Fire Dept. and Civil Defense	100.00	100.00
Blister Rust Control	100.00	
Town Maintenance: Summer	}	
Town Maintenance: Winter	}	950.00
General Exp. of Highway Dept.	}	950.00
State Aid Construction		1,667.00
T. R. A. Town's share	28.50	34.72
Cemetery	75.00	100.00
County Tax	615.00	660.00
School	2,100.00	3,400.00
Library	150.00	150.00
Cooperative Advertising	30.13	32.52
Town Poor	50.00	50.00
Health	5.00	55.00
50% School's Share of N.F.R.F.	212.50	250.00
Fireproof Safe	225.00	
 Total for 1958		<hr/> \$ 9,009.24

## ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

### Assets

Balance on hand December 31, 1957	\$1,368.58
Accounts due the Town:	
Uncollected taxes	225.21
Fire, A. Delage	15.00
Capital Reserve Fund	805.84
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Total Assets	\$2,414.63

### Liabilities

Capital Reserve Fund	
(To offset asset, above)	805.84
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	\$1,608.79

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

2	1956 Auto Permits	\$ 17.01
67	1957 Auto Permits	864.82
14	1956 Dog Taxes	28.00
1	Town Map	1.00
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Total amount to Town Treasurer		\$ 910.83

PHYLLIS H. BOWLES,  
Town Clerk.

Copies of Easton Town Maps may be obtained from the Town Clerk at a price of \$1.00 each.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

### Summary of Warrant Property, Poll and Yield Taxes Levy of 1957

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$3,445.00
Poll Taxes	100.00
Total Warrant	<hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: 0; border: 0.5px solid black;"/> \$3,545.00
Yield Taxes	240.20
Added Taxes	
Poll Taxes	2.00
Interest Collected	<hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: 0; border: 0.5px solid black;"/> .12
Total Debits	\$3,787.32

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$3,339.88
Poll Taxes	98.00
Yield Taxes	86.01
Discounts Allowed	51.74
Abatements	4.00
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List	
Property	53.50
Yield Taxes	<hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: 0; border: 0.5px solid black;"/> 154.19
Total Credits	\$3,787.32

**Summary of Warrant  
Property, Poll and Yield Taxes  
Levy of 1956**

DR.

Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1957:

Property Taxes	\$	26.28
Poll Taxes	4.00	
Yield Taxes	162.64	
	—————	\$ 192.92

Interest Collected during Fiscal Year

Ended December 31, 1957	3.16	
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Total Debits	\$	196.08
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal

Year Ended December 31, 1957:

Property Taxes	\$	8.76
Poll Taxes	4.00	
Yield Taxes	162.64	
Interest Collected during Year	3.16	
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List	17.52	
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Total Credits	\$	196.08
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**Summary of Warrant  
State Head Tax  
Levy of 1956**

DR.

Uncollected Taxes as of January

1, 1957	\$	15.00
Penalties Collected	1.50	
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Total Debits	\$	16.50
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During 1957

Head Taxes	\$	15.00
Penalties	1.50	
	—————	
Total Credits	\$	16.50

**Summary of Warrant  
State Head Tax  
Levy of 1957**

DR.

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:

Original Warrant	\$290.00
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Total Debit	\$290.00

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$270.00
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Abatements	\$270.00
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List	10.00
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Total Credits	10.00
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\$290.00	

**Uncollected Taxes – Levy of 1956**

Property Taxes:

Hannah, Selden	17.52
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**Uncollected Taxes – Levy of 1957**

Head Taxes:

Harwood, Elbert G.	\$ 5.00
Porter, Barbara	5.00
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\$ 10.00	

Property Taxes:

Kroger, Louis Est.	\$ 53.50
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Yield Taxes:

Paquette, Maurice G.	\$ 75.87
White, Joseph L.	49.47
Kenney, Jack	28.85
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\$154.19	

Total Uncollected Taxes as of

December 31, 1957.	\$235.21
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“I hereby certify that the above list, showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of Dec. 31, 1957 on account of the Tax Levy of 1956-1957, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.”

ION S. WHITCOMB,  
Tax Collector

## TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand January 1, 1957	\$2,113.44
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Ion S. Whitcomb, Collector of Taxes:

Property Tax	3,348.52
Poll Tax	102.00
Yield Tax	248.65
Interest	3.28
Head Tax	285.00
Head Tax Penalties	1.50

Phyllis H. Bowles, Town Clerk

Automobile Permits	881.83
Dog Tax	28.00
Sale of Town Maps	4.00
Helen Young, Reimbursement, Fire	30.00
George Clement, Rental Town Hall	10.00

State of New Hampshire:

Savings Bank Tax	1.98
Reimbursement, Blister Rust	1.38
"      Forest Fire	4.83
"      Warden Training	3.87
"      Training Meeting	8.62
Interest and Dividend Tax	598.80
National Forest Reserve Fund	784.61

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Total	\$8,460.31
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Paid on account of 61 Selectmen's Orders	7,091.73
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Cash Balance on hand, January 1, 1958	\$1,368.58
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SADIE N. GLOVER,

Treasurer.

## STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

1957

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 724.00
Town Officers' Expenses	352.08
Election and Registration	8.00
Town Hall Expense and Insurance	402.97
Fire Department	62.25
Health Department	55.00
Vital Statistics (1956)	1.00
Town Maintenance: Winter	177.74
Town Maintenance: Summer	438.08
State Aid Construction	500.00
Town Road Aid	39.94
Protection of Persons & Property	100.00
Library	150.00
Cooperative Advertising	30.13
Cemetery	81.22
Taxes Collected for the State	307.89
County Tax	650.65
School District	2,562.13
Unclassified	448.65
Total Payments	\$7,091.73

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### Detail 1. Town Officers' Salaries:

Ethel M. Furman, Auditor	\$ 10.00
Phyllis H. Bowles, Town Clerk	75.00
Sadie N. Glover, Town Treasurer	35.00
Everett M. Furman, Selectman	125.00
Walter M. Wolff, Selectman	125.00
Durand B. Cooley, Selectman, Chairman	250.00
Helen J. Young, Moderator	4.00
Ion S. Whitecomb, Tax Collector	100.00
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Total	\$724.00

### Detail 2. Town Officers' Expenses:

Branham Publishing Co., Automobile Book	\$ 4.00
Wheeler & Clark, 25 Dog tags and Book	7.28
Harrison Publishing House, Town reports	112.00
The Courier Printing Co., Selectmen's notices	4.36
F. J. Shores, Land transfers	2.12
Ida M. Horner, N. H. Tax Collector's Assn. dues	3.00
The Hunkins & Eaton Agency, Bonds for Town Officers	35.00
Charles R. Hardy, Dues for Town Clerk Assn.	3.00
Phyllis H. Bowles, Town Clerk's Meeting	33.40
Sadie M. Glover, Treasurer	1.25
Everett M. Furman, Selectman	14.52
Walter M. Wolff, Selectman 2 Signs & Bulletin Board	12.00
Durand B. Cooley, Selectman	3.50
Littleton National Bank, Bank Charges	.65
Edson C. Eastman Co., Town Warrants	.77
Brown & Saltmarsh, Tax Books	12.73
Durand B. Cooley, Perambulation of Town Line	40.00
G. Richardson, Perambulating Landaff Town Line	62.50
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Total	\$352.08

**Detail 3. Election and Registration:**

Helene Schultze, Supervisor	\$	4.00
Jack Kenney, Supervisor		4.00
Total	\$	8.00

**Detail 4. Town Hall Expense:**

Public Service Co., Lights	\$	29.49
Merton Edney, Janitor		52.00
George Smith, Sharpened Lawn mower		2.00
Farm Bureau Ins. Co., Ins. on Town Hall		123.48
Franconia Hardware		196.00
Total	\$	402.97

**Detail 5. Fire Department:**

D. B. Cooley, Fire Warden	\$	17.25
Town of Franconia		45.00
Total	\$	62.25

**Detail 6. Health Department:**

D. B. Cooley, Health Officer	\$	5.00
Town of Franconia, Use of Dump		50.00
Total	\$	55.00

**Detail 7. Vital Statistics:**

Phyllis Bowles, Town Clerk (1956)	\$	1.00
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**Detail 8. Town Maintenance, Winter:**

Treasurer, State of N. H., Plowing snow	\$	177.74
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**Detail 9. Town Maintenance, Summer:**

Treasurer, State of N. H.	\$	438.08
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**Detail 10. State Aid Construction:**

Treasurer, State of N. H.	\$	500.00
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**Detail 11. Town Road Aid:**

Treasurer, State of N. H.	\$	39.94
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**Detail 12. Protection of Persons & Property**

Treasurer, State of N.H., Blister Rust Contol \$ 100.00

**Detail 13. Library:**

Jane Cutter, Treasurer \$ 150.00

**Detail 14. Recreation:**

White Mountain Region Association \$ 30.13

**Detail 15. Cemetery:**

Merton Edney, Sexton \$ 68.50

Oliver Bowles 9.00

Depot Store, Grass Seed 3.72

Total \$ 81.22

**Detail 16. Unclassified:**

Safe, Northern Office Supply \$ 225.00

Town Maps, G. H. Richardson 223.65

Total \$ 448.65

**Detail 17. Taxes Collected for State:**

State Treasurer, Head Tax \$ 277.00

State Treas., Debt Retirement 30.89

Total \$ 307.89

**Detail 18. County Tax:**

Lawrence M. Colby, County Treasurer \$ 650.65

**Detail 19. School District:**

Jane Cutter, Treasurer \$ 2,562.13

**PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL TREASURER**

½ N.F.R.F. for year ending June 30, 1958 \$ 392.30

All approp. for year ending June 30, 1958 2,169.83

Total \$ 2,562.13

**Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Easton on December 31, 1957**

Date of Creation	NAME OF FUND	HOW INVESTED	Amt. of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance	Income	Expended During Year	Income During Year	Balance End of Year
					Beginning Year	Year			
1916	R. W. Young Trust Fund	Lisbon Sav. Bk. & Tr. Co.	\$100.00	3 1/4%	\$ 19.81	\$ 3.31	\$1.00	\$ 22.12	
1922	Peter Kinsman and Bernsley Edwards Trust Fund	Littleton Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4%	40.76	4.60	18.56	26.80	
1937	Orin G. Bowles Trust Fund	Littleton Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4%	66.74	8.72	1.50	73.96	
1947	Charles A. Young Trust Fund	Littleton Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4%	37.49	7.77	3.00	42.26	
1947	Arthur Pease Trust Fund	Littleton Savings Bank	114.00	3 1/4%	20.40	4.39	1.50	23.29	
1954	Florence Pease Trust Fund	Littleton Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4%	14.13	7.01	1.50	19.64	
1945	All the above Trusts are for Cemetery Care	Littleton Savings Bank	300.00	3 1/4%	180.29	25.55			205.84
1946	Town of Easton Sinking Fund (Capital Reserve)	Littleton Savings Bank	300.00						
	<b>TOTALS</b>		\$1,514.00		\$379.62	\$61.35	\$27.06	\$413.91	

## EASTON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

### Librarian's Report

At this time I would like to thank all those who have given books or magazines to the Library. We have added 225 books to the library and have purchased 44 books with the Town's appropriation, and from the sale of books. The Bookmobile has made six trips during the year. We borrowed 421 books and loaned 563.

Number of Visitors	220
Books Loaned:	
Adult fiction	747
Non-fiction	129
Juvenile fiction	188
Non-fiction	7
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Total of Books loaned	1071
Magazines loaned	135
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Total Circulation	1206
Number of Readers	25

We removed 175 paper bound books from the library. They were sent to The Veterans Hospital.

The Library is open to the public every Saturday afternoon from 1:00 to 4:00 p. m. Anyone wishing to obtain books at any other time may do so by contacting the librarian.

IVAH EDNEY,  
Librarian.

### LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on hand, January 1, 1957	\$	64.61
Approp. from Selectmen		150.00
Sale of Books		10.85
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Total Receipts	\$	225.46
Salary of Librarian	\$	100.00
Insurance		12.74
Books Purchased (40)		44.10
Miscellaneous		3.25
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Total Expenditures	\$	160.09
Balance on hand, January 1, 1958	\$	65.37

### AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

This is to certify that the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Tax Collector, Town Clerk and Trustees of the Trust Funds, charged with the custody, receipt and disbursements of public funds, were examined and audited, and in my opinion were found correct.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL M. FURMAN,  
Auditor.

## REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN

### Forest Fire Prevention is Everybody's Business

New Hampshire faces a continuing challenge in its forest fire problem — 97 percent of all our forest fires being man-caused and preventable — a serious indictment of interest in our own welfare and that of our neighbor. Both the State and the towns are striving diligently to effectively meet the challenge through education of the public to the threat fire presents to our woodlands; by maintaining a well trained corps of wardens and deputy wardens in every community and by providing ample opportunity for all who wish to dispose of unwanted waste materials. Careless and perverseness, however, continue to be the big hurdles.

Thoughtlessly discarded lighted cigars, cigarettes and matches from moving vehicles by hikers, hunters and fishermen; careless burning; improperly extinguished debris, camp and cook fires — all result in serious loss of property, disruption of industry and farm work and unnecessary expenditure of town and state funds.

To meet the challenge successfully, the state, your community and your local forest fire warden need YOUR thoughtful and cooperative effort. The rules are simple.

1. Don't burn at home, use your town dump and avoid all fire problems.
2. If you do burn, be sure to secure a written permit from your local forest fire warden when the ground is not covered with snow. Permits are required for open debris fires, home incinerators, outdoor fire places and camp fires. Your warden is instructed to permit burning if weather conditions, site and type of burning are safe.
3. Be sure that all lighted material; cigars, cigarettes and matches, are completely out before discarding them. Use ash trays in automobiles.
4. Make certain that your debris, camp and cook fires are completely out before leaving them.
5. Insist that others be careful and comply with burning requirements.
6. Call the warden promptly when fire is detected and aid him to extinguish it.

**REMEMBER —** The fire you prevent might be the one which could burn YOUR property.

**REMEMBER — FOREST FIRE PREVENTION is EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS and our MOST IMPORTANT UNDERTAKING.**

1957 Forest fire record for your town:

Number of fires	0	Acreage burned	0
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Number of permits issued	4	
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H. C. HARTWELL, JR.  
District Fire Chief

D. B. COOLEY  
Forest Fire Warden

**ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
EASTON SCHOOL DISTRICT  
For Year Ending January 1, 1958**

**DISTRICT OFFICERS**

**School Board**

Mrs. Eva Cooley, Chairman	Term Expires 1959
Mrs. Helen Young	Term Expires 1958
Mr. Jack Kenny	Term Expires 1960

**OTHER DISTRICT OFFICERS**

Mrs. Helen Schultze	Moderator
Miss Jane Cutter	Treasurer
Mrs. Margaret Whitcomb	Auditor
Mrs. Ivah Edney	Clerk
Mrs. Margaret Whitcomb	Truant Officer
Mr. Ronald A. Perham	Superintendent of Schools

## SCHOOL WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Easton, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the fourth day<sup>2</sup> of March, 1958, at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation aid fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
9. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

EVA COOLEY  
HELEN YOUNG  
JACK KENNEY  
School Board

**BUDGET FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EASTON 1958-1959**

	Paid Out 1956-57	Budget 1957-58	Paid Out to Jan. 1, '58	Proposed Budget 1958-59
<b>Administration:</b>				
1. Salaries of District Officers	\$ 64.74	\$ 65.00	\$	68.00
2. Supt. Salary (Local Share)	*60.35	65.00	45.04	50.00
3. Tax for Statewide Supervision	14.00	30.00	2.00	30.00
4. Salaries of Other Adm. Personnel	36.37	40.00	19.88	40.00
5. Supplies & Expenses	34.52	45.00	60.99	45.00
<b>Auxiliary Activities</b>				
16. Transportation	1,067.00	1,100.00	426.80	1,400.00
17. Tuition	1,365.16	1,630.00	778.00	2,200.00
<b>Fixed Charges</b>				
19. Retirement	3.90	5.00		5.00
20. Insurance, Treas. Bond & Exp.	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
<b>Capital Outlay</b>				
24. Contingency Fund		100.00		100.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<hr/> \$2,651.04	<hr/> \$3,085.00	<hr/> \$1,337.71	<hr/> \$3,943.00

\*Superintendent's salary is \$7,000.00. The State pays \$2,750.00. The Union pays \$4,250.00, divided as follows: Benton \$48.24, Easton \$60.35, Franconia \$660.03, Landaff \$104.97, Lincoln \$1,426.30, Lisbon Special \$1,304.33, Lisbon Town \$307.48, Lyman \$138.97, and Sugar Hill \$199.33. Division as determined by law. Report by Act of Legislature in form suggested by State Department of Education. This year, 1957-58, salary is \$7,422.00, State pays \$4,250.00. Next year, 1958-59 budget, salary is \$7,600.00, State pays \$4,250.00, Union's share \$3,350.00.

**SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1958-1959**

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1958.

Total amount required to meet school board's budget as itemized in Column 4 of the Budget Report.

\$3,943.00

**Estimated Income of District**

Balance June 30, 1958	\$150.00
Forest Reserve	250.00

We recommend that the District adopt the proposed budget and raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,943.00 for the school year 1958-1959.

EVA COOLEY,  
HELEN YOUNG,  
JACK KENNEY,  
School Board.

**Recommended Motion:**

Moved that the School District raise and appropriate \$3,943.00 and to authorize and direct the School Board to apply against said appropriation such income as is estimated by the School Board, exclusive of State Aid, and upon the determination of the amount of State Aid to be received by the School District during the next fiscal year, to authorize and direct the School Board to apply against such appropriation the sum to be received from State Aid and with the School District Clerk certify to the Selectmen the balance as an assessment to be raised by the town for school purposes.

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957

## RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, July 1, 1956	\$1,212.62
Federal Aid, Forest Reserve	219.66
Local Taxation: Current appropriation	1,877.20
Other Sources:	
Refund on Per Capita Tax	6.73
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	\$3,316.21

## PAYMENTS

Orders of the School Board	\$2,651.04
Cash on Hand at end of Year, June 30, 1957	665.17
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	\$3,316.21

July 1, 1957 to January 1, 1958

## RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, July 1, 1957	\$ 665.17
Federal Aid, Forest Reserve	392.30
Appropriation from Selectmen	2,169.83
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	\$3,227.30

## PAYMENTS

Orders of the School Board	\$ 1,337.71
Cash on Hand at January 1, 1958	1,889.59
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	\$3,227.30

**BALANCE SHEET****June 30, 1957****ASSETS**

Cash on Hand, June 30, 1957	\$ 665.17
Amounts Due to District from Town	1,112.18
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	\$1,777.35

**LIABILITIES**

Excess of Assets over Liabilities	\$1,777.35
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**ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER****Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1957**

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1956	\$1,212.62
Received from Selectmen Current Appropriation	\$1,877.20
Received from State Treasurer Federal Funds	219.66
State Funds— Refund on Per Capita Tax	6.73
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Total amount available for fiscal year	\$3,316.21
Less School Board Orders Paid	2,651.04
Balance on Hand, June 30, 1957	\$ 665.17

JANE K. CUTTER,  
Treasurer.

**AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Easton, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1957 and find them correct in all respects.

MARGARET T. WHITCOMB,  
Auditor.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and Citizens of Easton:

I herewith submit my fifteenth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

There were 8 pupils attending school last year; 6 in elementary school and 2 in high school at Dow Academy.

This year there are 8 pupils attending school; 5 elementary pupils and 3 high school pupils at Dow Academy. The pupils are as follows: John Kenney and Melinda Porter, Grade 2; Joanne Kenney, Grade 3; Dale Bowles, Grade 5; Ingrid Schultze, Grade 8; Bernice Cooley, Grade 9; Lois Bowles, Grade 10; Alice Cooley, Grade 12. Recently Dale Bowles transferred to Littleton.

The new principal at Dow Academy this year is Mr. Donald Goulette, Jr. Mr. Goulette tells of the work at Dow in the following report.

The school budget shows increases in tuition and transportation, the major items of cost. Next year we expect tuition to increase to \$350 per high school pupil and \$225 per elementary pupil. The three year transportation contract expires and we are already advised that the new contract will be computed on increased mileage rates.

I wish to thank the School Board for their help and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,  
RONALD A. PERHAM,  
Superintendent of Schools

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL

The following represents my first annual report as Principal of Dow Academy and as necessarily defined by the nature of an annual report reflects upon those school activities engaged in during the time January, 1957–January, 1958.

### Administration

The present school year began on Monday, September 9.

The elementary teaching staff was enriched and strengthened by the retention of the very capable Mrs. Alice Leavitt teaching Grades 1 and 2 and Mrs. Evelyn Howe teaching Grades 3 and 4. The elementary teaching staff was further enhanced by the addition of Mrs. Theresa Lafiosca, recently of the New York City School System, now of Franconia, as teacher of Grades 5 and 6.

The full-time teaching staff of the High School includes Miss Laura Beth Barry, retained from last year and teaching all offerings in the Business area as well as Economic Geography and General Mathematics. The following are new full-time teachers: Mr. Kenneth Heath, formerly of Manchester, now of Lisbon, teaching all offerings in the Industrial Arts program and Physics. Mr. Henry Rouillard, formerly of Manchester, now of Franconia, teaching all High School English courses, French I, Economics and Sociology, the latter being offered on a one semester basis. Mr. David B. Clark, formerly of Oregon, now of Franconia, teaching 7th and 8th Grade English, Mathematics, Social Studies, and History of Civilization. Mr. Clark also serves in the capacity of Director of the Dow Academy Ski Program which includes competitive skiing and ski lessons, the latter being available to all students. On a part-time basis the school is served well by Mrs. Beulah Foster, of Lisbon, who teaches Algebra, Geometry and Latin II; Mrs. Marion Callender, also of Lisbon, teaches Home Economics and Music; and Mrs. George McLure, of Littleton, teaches Band.

Generally speaking the retention of former tried and proven teachers adds an element of stability and direction to the teaching program while the acquisition of new teachers imparts an element of enthusiasm, fresh ideas, and new approaches thereby contributing to the total worth of the teaching program.

The addition of Mr. Robert McLaughlin to the school staff as school custodian has proved in innumerable ways to be an invaluable asset to the school's program. Mr. McLaughlin's dedication to the varied demands of his position and beyond have earned him the admiration, respect, and applause of the student body, staff members, and administrative officers.

### **Curriculum:**

The curriculum or program of studies at Dow Academy continues to offer those courses designed to prepare students for a successful college experience, future economic pursuits in the field of business as well as satisfactory experiences in combating the problems, economical and social, of everyday living.

The addition of physical education classes for boys in Grades 11 and 12 this year is the initial step in physical education program planning which promises to eventuate in making this program available to all high school students—boys and girls.

### **School Lunch:**

The school lunch program, an integral part of the total school program, which provides participating students with hot, nourishing lunches, had its beginning on September 16 under the very capable direction and supervision of Mrs. Frances Oakes and Mrs. Mae Bouton. Sincere encomiums belong to these women for their part in making this program possible by volunteering to assume the responsibility of the hot lunch program until the services of an experienced person in this field could be obtained. This materialized with the employment of Mr. John

Westhaver as dietician who is currently doing a superb job with the very able assistance of Mrs. Westhaver. The school lunch program this year has managed to maintain previous price structures with reference to student costs although beset by increased food costs. This is possible through partial reimbursement from the Federal Government and a small appropriation from district funds. If the school is to maintain its present practice of providing lunches superior in quality and within the purchasing power of all students then most assuredly local aid must be forth coming. An innovation this year and a part of the school lunch program is the special milk program which provides each subscribing elementary student with eight ounces of milk each morning.

### **School Health**

Doctor Ralph Parker, the school health officer, and nurse Phyllis Rogers have, as in the past, conducted a comprehensive school health program which includes complete physical examinations for all students so provided with written parental approbation, eye and ear examinations, and generally ministering to the health needs of the students as such health problems manifest themselves.

### **School Banking:**

The school savings plan continues in its third year through the cooperation of the Littleton Savings Bank. The program encourages thrift in Grades 1 through 8.

### **School Activities:**

Although the major business of any educational institution is one of instruction and stimulation of intellectual endeavor, Dow Academy persists in its recognition of the school's responsibility to the total child through its offerings of the following special student activities: athletics, emphasizing golf, basketball, skiing, baseball, and softball, as well as student government, glee club, dramatics, yearbook,

prize speaking, cheerleading, social activities, special interests clubs, and the school newspaper. Activities of this type are not without value in their proper proportion and viewed in the right perspective. The democratic process exercise in the practice of student government and in the election of class officers; the competitive spirit tempered with a sense of fair play and good sportsmanship so necessary to future success; the poise and aplomb engendered through participation in dramatics; and the joy of expressing any creative talent through the media of the yearbook and school newspaper—all play essential roles in the development of the total child and as such deserve a definite place in the school curriculum.

#### **Conclusion:**

The task of serving the educational needs, abilities, and interests of such a heterogeneous grouping of students with a staff limited in number and to some degree trammeled with a lack of instructional aides is by no means an easy one. However, this task is not insuperable. The constant vigilance waged by the School Board and the Superintendent of Schools to the needs and problems of a school, aspiring to remain with the times and the eagerness with which teachers respond to the needs of the students; the State Department of Education's willingness to help and an informed Franconia populace sincerely concerned with the welfare of their school all augur well for the success of Dow Academy in the realization of its objective—the total growth and development of every student to the utmost of their inherent capacities.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD GOULETTE, JR.,  
Principal

## EASTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Expenditures — 1956-1957

## ADMINISTRATION

## 1. Salaries of District Officers

Eva Cooley, Chairman, School Board	\$25.00
Phyllis Bowles, School Board	14.00
Helen Young, School Board	15.74
Beulah Bowles, Moderator	5.00
Ivah Edney, Clerk	5.00
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	64.74

## 2. Superintendent's Salary

Treasurer, Supervisory Union #34	60.35
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## 3. Tax for Statewide Supervision

Treasurer, State of N. H.	14.00
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## 4. Salaries of Other Adm. Personnel

Margaret Whitcomb, census	3.00
Treasurer, Supervisory Union #34 Clerical	33.37
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	36.37

## 5. Supplies and Expenses

Treasurer, Supervisory Union #34	32.52
N.H. School Board Association, dues	2.00
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	34.52

## AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

**16. Transportation**

Ross Taylor	1,067.00
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**17. Tuition**

Franconia School District	1,365.16
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## FIXED CHARGES

**19. Retirement**

Treasurer, Supervisory Union	
#34 Superintendent's retirement	3.90

**20. Insurance**

Merrill's Insurance Agency	
Treasurer's Bond	5.00

TOTAL	\$2,651.04
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## BIRTHS — 1957

Name of Child (if any)	Date of Birth and		Name of Father	Name		Maiden Name of Mother	Residence		Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother				
	Sex	Living or Stillborn No. of Child												
May 3, 1957 Cynthia Mary Leonard	F	L	3	Alfred Gustave Leonard, 3rd	Mary Margaret Wray	Easton, N.H.	Dorchester, Mass.							
Sept. 14, 1957 Charlie Nathan Judd	M	L	2	Albert Judd	Elizabeth Louise Bowles	Easton, N.H.	Easton, N.H.							
Oct. 4, 1957 Michael Allen Kenney	M	L	5	John William Kenney	Margaret Mary Taylor	Easton, N.H.	Reading, Mass.	Pt. Leavenworth, Kansas						



